GALILEAN SATELLITE OBSERVATION PLANS FOR THE NEAR INFRARED MAPPING SPECTROMETER EXPERIMENT ON THE GALILEO SPACECRAFT

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ABSTRACT:

On December 7, 1995 the Galileo spacecraft will begin observations of the Jovian system with orbit insertion and a satellite tour of 10 orbits. The Galilean satellites will be observed with four remote sensing instruments spanning the ultraviolet, visible, near infrared and thermal infrared regions of the spectrum. The Galileo Near-Infrared Mapping Spectrometer will observe the satellites in the wavelength range 0.7 to 5.2 microns - a region particularly well-suited for analyzing volatile components. Planned observations include mapping most available longitudes at about 100 km resolution per pixel at full wavelength resolution, together with observing limited regions at high spatial resolution. The opportunity to af feet the choice and design of observations for the Galileo tour extends until June 1996.

1. Introduction

In December 1995, the Galileo spacecraft will commence a two year investigation of the Jovian system including the magnetosphere, Jupiter's atmosphere, and the Galilean satellites: Io, Europa, Ganymede, and Callisto. Included in the scientific instrument complement of Galileo is the Near Infrared Mapping Spectrometer (NIMS), which is specifically designed for remote sensing studies of these diverse moons of Jupiter. Although the total volume of data that will be returned during the mission is less than originally planned, due to the functional loss of the high gain antenna, we anticipate return of a wealth of new, first-of-its-kind spatially resolved near infrared data, providing a comprehensive understanding of the surface composition and evolution of the Galilean satellites. Accomplishing this with restricted data return requires careful planning and design of the observations and requires making difficult choices between the number and types of observations. The purpose of this paper is to present our current plans and goals for satellite observations with NIMS to the scientific community and to solicit suggestions for important observations that should be included.

NIMS utilizes a combination of two remote sensing techniques: imaging and spectroscopy. This powerful combination allows one to map distinct units on the surfaces and, through spectroscopic measurements, to identify significant materials such as mafic minerals and clays present in these units.

Localized species, whose contribution to the whole-disc spectra can be too weak to observe, are investigated through high spatial resolution observations. The entire surface of a satellite cannot be mapped at the highest possible spatial and spectral resolution, so tradeoffs between global coverage and high spatial resolution regional coverage have been made. Our general philosophy is to perform complete global spectral mapping at modest spatial and high spectral resolution for each of the satellites. These primary data sets are obtained in a consistent manner for all of the satellites, enabling comparisons between the satellites. For the remainder of the data, limited numbers of high spatial resolution measurements will be performed for specific localized targets. The choice of these targets depends partly upon tour opportunities and observation geometry, and partly upon perceived scientific benefit and value.

2. The NIMS Instrument

The NIMS instrument has been described previously by Carl son et al. (1992); its basic operation is only briefly outlined here. NIMS (Fig. 1) includes a 23 cm aperture telescope with a scanning secondary mirror, a spectrometer with a scanning grating and a focal plane array mounted on a radiative cooler. NIMS forms spectra with the moving grating in combination with 17 detectors (2 Si, 15 InSb) spaced approximately evenly in wavelength. Various spectral sampling densities are achieved by varying the step size for the grating. The number of grating positions per cycle ean vary from 1 to 24, resulting in spectral sampling of 17 to 408 wavelengths across the spectral range of the instrument (0.7 to 5.2 microns). The spectral resolution is 0.026 microns FWHM (0.013 at wavelengths < 1 micron). The minimum grating step size is one half of a wavelength resolution element. Standard instrument modes include grating step increments of 1,2,4, and 0 grating positions with the corresponding number of wavelength samples being 408, 204, 102, and 17. The corresponding mode names are Long Map (LM), Full Map (FM), Short Map (SM), and Fixed Map (XM), respectively. The NIMS instrument response is depicted in Figure 2 and examples of spectra taken by NIMS are shown in Figure 3.

To fit within limited telemetry capabilities, several modifications have been made to the

capabilities of the instrument and the command data system (CDS) of the spacecraft. These changes permit editing of the instrument data stream to select any subset of wavelengths from a given instrument mode. A general data return strategy will be to edit data within the instrument to just fit within (fully utilize) the fixed-size allocations on the spacecraft tape recorder. Further wavelength editing will occur in CDS prior to data transmission to Earth in order to fit within the available telemetry bandwidth. This strategy permits a modest adaptability in the choice of returned wavelengths, which is important for responding to the discovery of new spectral features for the satellites and atmospheres.

3. Scientific Background and Objectives

Galileo will be the first spacecraft to orbit Jupiter. Galileo's tour (described by Wolf and Byrnes, 1993) will consist of 11 orbits (Fig. 4), which are designed to optimize close encounters with Europa, Ganymede, and Callisto, and to enable studies of Jupiter's atmosphere and magnetosphere. The tour's highlights and the major science objectives for each orbit are given in Table 1.

This will be the first time that the Galilean satellites will be observed in the wavelength region 0.7 - 5.2 microns without atmospheric interference and at spatial resolutions higher than 1000 km/pixel. The higher spatial resolution for this wavelength region, which for NIMS averages about 80 km/pixel, with highest resolution of 1 km/pixel, permits detection of minor species whose spectral signatures may not be apparent in the global averages obtainable from Earth. The higher spatial resolution obtainable by NIMS is particularly important for the detection of volatiles trapped at the poles and contained in localized areas on the satellites.

The NIMS wavelength range is particularly useful for detecting the condensed volatiles which tend to have strong bands in the 1.6 to 4.5 micron region. The guest molecules in clathrate structures can be detected if their absorption bands lie outside the saturated absorption bands for water ice. The OH bands associated with hydrated minerals such as clays can be distinguished from water ice in this wavelength range in the 2 to 3 micron region. Iron bands for olivine, pyroxene, and plagioclase can be detected in the 0.9 to 2.5 micron region. The distribution of SO₂ can be monitored on 10 utilizing

the well-known 4.1 micron band, a band which is also expected to be relevant for the trailing side of Europa, The NIMS wavelength region is also suitable for measuring the temperature of objects as cold as 180 K. The ability to acquire both color and brightness temperatures enables measurements both of the temperature and of the areal extent of thermal anomalies. Since the Galilean satellites have equilibrium subsolar surface temperatures of about 140 K, all temperature anomalies measured by NIMS will be endogenic.

Figure 5 shows laboratory spectra of a variety of potential materials convolved to NIMS resolution as planned for the global mosaics (see next section). This figure demonstrates the abundant spectral variability of **potential** materials as well as the ability of **NIMS** to discriminate among them.

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Io offers a unique opportunity for the study of planetary volcanism at both large-scale (interior dynamics) and small scale (modelling of flows and plumes). One of the primary objectives of the Galileo mission is to investigate Io's volcanism and its interaction with Jupiter's magnetosphere. While the enormous extent of Io's volcanic activity was established by Voyager data (e.g. Morabito et al. 1979; Hanel et al. 1979; Smith et al. 1979) and subsequent ground-based infrared observations (e.g. Johnson et al. 1984; Goguen et al. 1988; Veeder et al. 1994), many important questions remain, such as the relative roles of silicates and sulfur in the composition of Io's upper crust and volcanic melts.

Arguments favoring a composition predominantly of sulfur are based on spectral data [e.g. Wamsteker et al. 1974; Fanale et al. 1979], on temperature measurements by Voyager (which indicated maximum temperatures of about 600 K) and on the surface colors shown by Voyager images [Sagan 1979; Pieri et al. 1984]. However, the evidence from surface colors has been strongly disputed [e.g. Young 1984; Gradie and Moses 1983; Nash 1987] and some ground-based temperature measurements (some over 1000 K, Matson et al. 1994) suggest that silicate volcanism is taking place [e.g. Johnson et al. 1988; Veeder et al. 1994; Blaney et al. 1994]. A predominantly silicate composition is also strongly supported by the topography of some of 10's features [Clew and Carr 1980; Moore et al. 1986] and by Io*s density, which is similar to that of the Earth's moon.

Evidence for the presence of sulfur compounds on 10's surface comes from ground based spectral data which, together with laboratory experiments, show that SO₂ frost is a component of the surface of 10 (Smythe et al. 1979; Fanale et al. 1979; Hapke 1989). The distribution of SO₂ frost on the surface has been mapped by Howell et al. (1984), using the IR band at 4.1 microns, and by Nelson et al. [1980] using the UV band (0.28 microns). Evidence for the presence of SO₂ in Io*s atmosphere was obtained by the Voyager IRIS experiment, which detected SO₂ gas over the erupting Loki volcano (Pearl et al. 1979). Rotational lines from an SO₂ atmosphere have been detected in the microwave observations of Lellouch et al. (1992). In addition, ionized sulfur has been detected in the Io torus (Broad foot et al. 1979). The presence of H₂S [Nash and Howell 1989; Salama et al 1990] and of Na₂S and Na₂O₂ [Nash 1993] has also been suggested. Tentative identifications of various other sulphur compounds, including SO₃, Na₂SO₃, and NaHSO₄, have been made by Khanna et al. [1993].

It is very likely that both sulfur and silicates are present on Io but their location on the surface, relative abundance, and temporal changes are unknown. Also, the composition of the lava flows on 10 is still controversial. One of NIMS' primary objectives is to identify these components and map their locations on the surface and any temporal variations. NIMS may also locate still unknown spectral features and confirm the exi stence of others (such as H₂S).

The source, density, and horizontal distribution of gaseous SO₂ in Io's atmosphere need to be investigated. Current models for atmospheric SO₂ origin can be roughly classified as one of three types: buffered, volcanic, or sputtered [Lellouch et al. 1992]. Recent millimeter-wave observation results, which allowed the first ground-based detection of Io's atmosphere [Lellouch et al. 1992], favor the volcanic model, but stress that aspects of all three types of models are probably at work on Io. NIMS will make observations of Io's atmosphere which are designed to clarify the relative importance of these various processes.

The frequency and rate of Io's volcanic activity need to be determined more precisely. NIMS observations during the two-year satellite tour will monitor the frequency of 10's eruptions and measure the temperatures of hot spots and outbursts. These measurements will be used to refine values

for Io's mean heat flow, which is currently estimated at 2 +/- 1 W/m* [Matson et al. 1981]. The level of Io's heat flow is dependent upon the tidal dissipation properties of Io and Jupiter and is a key parameter which constrains models of Io, Jupiter, and the dynamical interactions in the Jovian system [e.g. Greenberg 1989].

Recent work by **Veeder** et al. [1994] has identified a "thermal pedestal effect". This is a spectral blue-shift which occurs in the background spectrum when sunlight is absorbed on a positive thermal anomaly. The shift makes it possible to detect smaller heat flow anomalies than would normally be detectable by **NIMS**. Thermal and heat flow measurements will be made by **NIMS** and PPR (Galileo's **Photopolarimeter** Radiometer), including the temperatures of **Io's** hot spots on the nightside and of cooling curves during eclipses of 10 by Jupiter.

The major scientific objectives for NIMS at **Io** are: (i) determining surface composition, temperatures, and heat flow; (ii) investigating atmospheric composition and (iii) determining timescales for different types of volcanic activity.

In terms of surface composition, NIMS will investigate the surface mineralogy and the temperatures of Io*s hot spots by making global and local maps in 102 to 408 wavelengths. Temperature variations and the distribution of SO₂, silicates, and other species will be mapped on a global scale at medium resolution (50-120 km/NIMS pixel) and on a local scale at high resolutions (5-25 km/NIMS pixel). The two-year tour will enable NIMS to identify temporal and latitudinal variations in the composition and temperature of surface features and plumes at all longitudes. NIMS will view parts of the north and south polar region (including the southern pole) during Jupiter orbit insertion, which will be an opportunity to search for unusual species cold-trapped in these regions.

To determine atmospheric composition, N] MS will perform limb scans to place limits on the atmospheric density of SO₂ and to investigate its source. In addition, NIMS will obtain temperatures of active plumes and search for compositional variations within and above them. Observations of Io's nightside will be made to search for auroral effects.

NIMS will monitor Io*s volcanic activity and search for volcanic outbursts throughout the

mission. The instrument will map the distribution and temperature variation of hot spots, including the very hot silicate sources (>10CK)K) and the molten sulphur pods (400-600K). Measurements will be made on the dayside and nightside, and during eclipse. NIMS will monitor temporal changes in the global distribution of SO₂ and other species. Specific hot spots (Pele, Loki, and Kanehekili) will be targeted for more frequent monitoring, with time intervals between observations varying from minutes to months.

3.2 Icy Satellites

Current knowledge regarding the compositions of J upiter's icy satellites are described in detail by Calvin et al. (this issue). Recent observations include the following: the ubiquitous presence of water ice, the distinctive ultraviolet signature of SO₂ on Europa (e. g. No]] et al., this issue; Sack et al. 1992), the similarity of the spectral signature of Callisto's dark materials to high-iron clays (Calvin and Clark, 1991)) the marked spectral difference between the dark material on Europa and that on Ganymede and Callisto, and the interesting new absorption feature discovered on the trailing hemisphere of Ganymede (Spencer et al., this issue).

Europa

Eur opa poses an ensemble of challenging scientific questions. These can be grouped around themes of global resurfacing, heat flow, composition, tectonophysics, and exogenic processes. Europa has been completely resurfaced and is part of an evolutionary sequence seen among the icy Galilean satellites. Apparently, neither Ganymede nor Callisto experienced such a complete global event.

The detection of only a few craters on Europa by the Voyager cameras sets a relatively young age for its surface. Did resurfacing occur as a discrete event, as a series of episodic processes, or as a long continuous process? Is this resurfacing active today? NIMS is uniquely capable of measuring the timeline of emplacement of different surface units by detecting small compositional changes in the surface ice. These small changes could indicate different source regions or perhaps different ages for the surface ices.

Clearly, a large amount of heat is involved in Europa's resurfacing. The source of this energy

is not understood. Models involving radio-nucleides, tidal interaction, and bombardment by asteroids, comets and other small bodies have thus far proved unsatisfactory. Compositional differences may give clues to the temperatures of melts that formed the surface. Setting limits on the heat flowing from the interior of Europa would provide an important constraint on models for resurfacing and internal structure. NIMS can search for small, relatively warm (≥180 K) anomalies at night. During the daytime the thermal pedestal effect may shift emission into the NIMS spectral range. Indirect indicators of thermal anomalies may also be present: "holes" in the surface distribution of volatile species and spatial changes in composition may indicate the presence of thermal anomalies.

The more volatile species will preferentially condense in the polar regions where the temperatures are coldest, thus scans of the polar regions may find species more volatile than water. A quantitative inventory of these species will help to identify interior compositions that have contributed to the form and shape of Europa's **surface**.

NIMS will be able to **detect** hydrated, some iron-baring minerals, and the presence of clathrates in or on Europa's relatively clean ice. The identification of particular compositions and the mapping of their spatial extent is fundamental to the recognition of **distinct surface** units. These will be characterized on **local**, regional, and global scales. The compositional boundaries and their relationships to tectonic features is particularly important for**revealing** the sequence of surface-forming events and thus the geologic history.

Europa is subject to a number of exogenic processes, of which cratering and implantation of magnetospheric species are the most prominent. NIMS can recognize large palimpsests discriminated by spectral variance. The composition of crater filling melts can be determined and will provide an indication of any differences in composition with depth.

The Jovian magnetosphere co-rotation velocity exceeds the **orbital** velocity of Europa, so magnetospheric ions are **continuall** y bombarding Europa's trailing hemisphere. Optical signatures of this effect are apparent in the ultraviolet, where at least two signatures are present. One signature, measured by the **IUE** satellite, mimics an UV **SO₂** absorption band (Lane et al., 1981). The other,

seen by the Voyager cameras, is a general decrease of the UV albcdo (Nelson et al., 1987). In both cases the signature is strongest at the center of the trailing hemisphere and weakest in the center of the leading hemisphere. In the Voyager data, the general intensity of the darkening follows a cos(z) relationship, where z is the angular distance on Europa's globe from the trailing point (Nelson et al., 1987). The SO_2 absorption band will be recognized by NI MS at 4.1 microns so that the distribution of this absorption can be mapped in detail.

Tectonic effects expected to be visible include the motion of crustal plates and resurfacing mechanics. A definite time sequence is evident in **some** of the offset relationships seen in the **lineaments** on Europa. Plate rotation is also evident. NIMS will contribute to the study of these features by adding compositional differences apparent in the infrared as a criterion for making distinctions.

From compositional and temporal relationships, NIMS data can establish whether or not the melts reaching the surface change with time. This can depend upon the number of melt reservoirs available and the fractionation of a reservoir as melt is withdrawn or erupted to the surface. For all of the resurfacing mechanisms that move melt to the surface (including crater flooding, fluence from lineaments, or more traditional aqueous floods in great sheets across the surface), NIMS infrared maps will provide the key to understanding the resurfacing of Europa.

Ganymede

Ganymede shows the greatest geologic diversity of the three icy satellites and displays analogues of processes evident on Europa and Calli sto, as well as its own unique aspects. There is a fresh-appearing polar cap, a variety of crater forms (bright and dark rayed, dark floored, dark haloed, palimpsests), planet-wide sets of arcuate furrows as well as smaller grooved and ridged terrain, and apparent smooth, flooded basins [e.g. Shoemakeret al. 1982,]. Albedos of various terrains overlap with all but the darkest terrains on Callisto and the brightest on Europa [Johnson et al. 1983]. Schenk and McKinnon [1985] have recognized dark halo craters as evidence of dark terrain excavation, while dark ray and dark floor craters are inferred to be due to projectile contamination.

Spectral information on such widely diverse terrains can identify absorption features masked in the hemisphericall y-averaged observations obtainable from Earth. As a minimum, NIMS observations will yield important separation of ice and dark material spectra obscured by terrestrial atmospheric constituents. There are known leading/trailing hemisphere dichotomies on Ganymede: NIMS will be able to determine if these are driven by water ice grain size and purity, or by . fundamental differences in the mineralogy of the units. Subtle absorption features exist or are suggested on the trailing hemisphere [Spencer and Calvin, this issue; Calvin et al., this issue]. NIMS will search for confirmation of the infrared features or companions to the observed visible absorption feature. Examination of dark terrains will yield information on the mineralogy of impactors and excavated materials. Compositional information on the impactors is relevant to outstanding questions of whether the impactor populations for the outer planets are different from those for the terrestrial planets, It has been suggested that the deep interior of Ganymede might be exposed either in palimpsests or in central peak domes [Thomas and Squyres, 1990; Schenk, 1993]. Characterization of these units by NIMS could reveal the composition of the mantle. Also, in relation to dark terrain, there is evidence for smooth resurfacing [e.g. Murchie et al. 1990] and the mineralogy of such units will have implications for the early thermal history of Ganymede. Global compositional information for the dark material on Ganymede and its similarity or difference to that found on Callisto can provide clues to the diverging histories of these two, most similar, siblings. This comparison also provides information on the extent to which dark material has been excavated from the interior rather than emplaced by impacts (the inferred dominant source for dark material on Callisto).

Spectral observations of the polar shroud will give an indication of grain size and thickness of the deposit, thus yielding an **estimate** for the age, and can help constrain whether the cap is forming dynamically from sublimation or is an ancient remnant undergoing net erosion. Photometric and compositional information on the grooved and furrowed terrains may help constrain their mode of emplacement or formation.

NIMS will use limb scans to look for molecular oxygen airglow emissions from a possible

tenuous atmosphere on Ganymede. This experiment will be done in collaboration with Galileo's UVS (Ultraviolet Spectrometer).

Callisto

The Voyager encounters of 1979 provided new insight into Callisto's basic characteristics and gave us a look into Callisto's geologic past. Telescopic observations and laboratory measurements have significantly added to our knowledge of Callisto, but there, are still many unanswered questions.

Callisto appears to be the most primitive and unaltered of the Galilean satellites and has a relatively small number of terrain types. Major surface features include multi-ring structures with scarps and graben, palimpscsts, catenae, and a variety of craters. The are indications of multiple resurfacing processes, such as volcanism and cometary impact occurring on Callisto (e.g. Schenk and McKinnon 1994), but no evidence of the widespread resurfacing which occurred on Europa and Ganymede.

Spectral data providing the mineralogy and composition of Callisto's surface features will give insight into the extent and mechanisms of the resurfacing processes. Callisto's well-preserved surface places it in the unique position of providing an opportunity to study individual ancient processes, with material from features distinguishable from background surface material. The mineralogy will also aid in determining whether the resurfacing process is exogenic or endogenic in origin.

Non-icy components or dark materials cover as much as 60-80% of Callisto's surface and have very low albedo. Unlike Ganymede and Europa, Callisto's non-ice component is a major contributor in hemispherically averaged ground-based spectra. Laboratory measurements indicate that a homogeneous mixture of ice, serpentinite, and magnetite provide the best comparison to telescopic spectra (e.g. Roush et al. 1990). Ground-based observations have revealed absorption features at 2.8, 2.9, and 3.4 microns, and potentially a 3.1 micron feature, which have been suggested to be ammoniated clays (Calvin and Clark, 1993).

NIMS observations of Callisto will clarify the composition, variability, and origin of both icy and non-icy materials residing on the. surface. In addition, hemispherical differences and the existence

of minor components with limited spatial distribution will be mapped. If subsurface material has been uplifted, as the Valhalla pal impsest and graben seem to suggest, the new compositional information could lead to an understanding of Callisto's formation and early geologic conditions.

4. SATELLITE OBSERVATIONAL PLANS

The NIMS observing plan for each of the Galilean satellites is described below. Planning is still underway and input from the community as well as new discoveries prior to Galileo's arrival at Jupiter may justify changes, particularly in the choice of wavelengths for specific observations. There will be a small amount of flexibility to make changes to the observing plans for the later orbits of the satellite tour based on results from Jupiter orbit insertion and from the early tour orbits. Many of the observations presented here have been coordinated with the other remote sensing instruments. This optimizes the science return by obtaining the maximum spatial and spectral coverage for targeted areas on the satellites,

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The NIMS observing plan for Io can most easily be described by separating those observations obtained during Jupiter orbit insertion (when the spacecraft makes its only close flyby of Io) from those observations obtained during the rest of the satellite tour (global observations having wide longitudinal and good temporal coverage but limited spatial resolution). These two sets of observations will complement one another and should greatly enhance our present knowledge of Io's mineralogy, atmospheric composition, and volcanic activity.

4.1.1. Jupiter Orbit Insertion

The best opportunities for observing 10 will occur when the spacecraft flies by Io at an altitude of 1,000 km on **December** 7, 1995. NIMS will make ten close-range observations of Io during Jupiter Orbit Insertion (Figure 6 and Table 2a). Their objectives are:

(i) Obtain global coverage at the maximum feasible spectral and spatial resolutions. Observations HRSPEC and GLOBAL are spectral maps of 10's dayside, with the first obtaining high spectral resolution (50 % 408 and 50% 204 wavelengths) at spatial resolutions of about 50 km/NIMS

pixel, and the second obtaining high spatial resolution (about 25 km/NIMS pixel) at modest spectral coverage (17 wavelengths).

- (ii) Obtain high spatial resolution samples of selected areas at high spatial resolution (a few km per NIMS pixel) and good spectral resolutions (102 to 204 wavelengths): NIMS will take advantage of the spacecraft's close pass by Io to sample a variety of terrain types. The Prometheus and Maui region observation (HRCHEM) includes samples of dark and light terrains shown in Voyager images. A higher spatial resolution observation of the persistent Prometheus vent (PROMVT) will be made at a closer range to sample the vent area and plume in more detail. Other targets include the mountain and mesa region on the northwestern edge of Colchis Regio (MTMESA), the Volund vent area, a hot spot observed by the Voyager IRIS instrument (VOLU ND), and the Colchis lava flow region (COLCHS).
- (iii) Map part of Io's nightside and the Loki plume using the NIMS thermal channels, together with Galileo's Photopolarimeter Radiometer (PPR). Observation HOTSPT maps the Kanehekili hot spot region. Observation LOKI PL consists of three limb scans from the surface to about 200 km altitude to characterize the plume's temperature distribution.
- (iv) Detect atmospheric SO₂ by means of limbscans at high spatial resolution (about 8 km/NIMS pixel). The three limbscans in observation LBSCAN each cover about 270 km (with about 200 km being above the surface) at 2 wavelengths, with one wavelength centered on the strong SO₂ band at 4.1 microns and the other sampling the continuum. One of the scans is near the potentially active Amarani-Maui region, while the other two avoid known active areas.

4.1.2. Satellite Tour

Following Jupiter orbit insertion, NIMS makes about 100 global observations of Io during the two-year Jupiter tour at spatial resolutions ranging from about 100 to 1000 km/pixel (Figure 6, Table 2b). These observations focus on monitoring global temporal changes of surface composition (such as SO₂ frost distribution) and temperature, using between 102 and 408 wavelengths. Observations of both the dayside (CHEMIS) and nightside (THRMAL) are made, covering most longitudes at least

once during each orbit. As shown in Figure 6, Io's closest approach in several orbits is used to map the dayside at high spectral resolution (HRSPEC). One high spectral resolution observation of the nightside disk (NSPEC) is made during the G 1 orbit to search for auroral effects and to investigate the source of fluorescence.

Jo will be observed approximately every 4 hours within +/- 48 hours of Io closest approach in each orbit. Intervals between Io closest approach in consecutive orbits range from about 1 to 3 months. Additional monitoring observations (VOLCAN) target selected hot spots (mainly Pele, Kanchekili, and Loki). These observations will be obtained at time intervals varying from minutes to days and at spatial resolution ranging from 120 to 700 km/NIMS pixel.

Eclipses of Io by Jupiter will be observed as Io enters Jupiter's shadow (COOLCV) and again as Io emerges from eclipse (WARMCV).

4.2 Europa

Fourteen NIMS observations of Europa are planned, covering most of the longitudes of the satellite. A few gaps in longitude coverage exist due to the practical limits on the geometry of the spacecraft orbits. Each orbit in the tour presents unique phase angle or longitude coverage. Jupiter orbit insertion and orbit El 1 give excellent polar passes. The planned NIMS observations of Europa are summarized in Figure 7 and Table 3 for each of the orbits of the Galileo tour. These observations have been divided into three categories: polar observations, global observations, and high resolution spectral observations.

Two main polar observations, SOPOLE and NOPOLE, are planned for Europa. The Jupiter orbit insertion period provides the only opportunity to observe Europa's south polar region. This observation covers the lit portion from the pole up to approximately 60" S latitude at resolutions of 16 to 20 km/NIMS pixel in 204 wavelengths. The best opportunity to observe Europa's north polar region occurs during orbit El 1 at spatial resolutions as high as 0.5 km/NIMS pixel and phase angles ranging from approximately 90" to 67°. The north pole observations are acquired with 102 wavelengths except for a strip within the mosaic that is done at 204 wavelengths. This strip will be used to search

for compositional differences between the south and north poles. The polar observations during Jupiter orbit insertion and E1 1 present good opportunities for N I MS to detect frozen species more volatile than water.

The other nine orbits in the tour provide views of a variety of different terrains at a wide range of phase angles (from 27° to 147", see Figure 6). NIMS spatial resolution at periapsis for these encounters ranges from 300 m in orbit E6 to 92 km in orbit G1. The spatial resolution of these observations is reduced somewhat from the highest possible to maximize longitudinal coverage.

Global coverage includes all longitudes except 0° to 90° at spatial resolutions of 90 km/NIMS pixel or better. The global observations (PHINEA, LINEA) cover longitudes of 210" to 1500 and 300° to 340", respectively. ASTER] (in orbit E4) and TINC1 (in orbit E6) will present a particularly good data set from which to study the composition and tectonic differences between the leading and trailing hemispheres of Europa. FLEXUS and ADONIS are complementary global observations that provide longitude coverage from 220° to 100" (on the trailing hemisphere).

The high spectral, high spatial resolution observations are performed at 408 wavelengths (SUCOMP 1,2, and TYREMA). The high data volume of these observations restricts the total number of observations to six (Fig. 6). SUCOMP 1 and 2 observe a high and a low albedo terrain, respectively, to assess the relationship of albedo difference to composition. These observations obtain high spatial resolution (1- 10 km/NIMS pixel) samples of specific areas on Europa, such as Tyre Macula, which will be observed by all of Galileo's remote sensing instruments,

A limb observation (ELIMB) is planned to search for evidence of the existence of an atmosphere or volcanic plumes.

4.3 Ganymede

In keeping with the general satellite science objectives, we have planned 30 observations of Ganymede (Table 4) to obtain global mapping at high spectral resolution, and selected targets at high spatial and high spectral resolution. Figure 8 shows the areas covered by these observations, which are obtained during five orbits (GI, G2, G7, G8, and C9). With the exception of the atmospheric limb

scan and two spectral end member targets, all observations are obtained in 204 wavelengths. Using global observations, NIMS will map about 90% of the surface at spatial resolutions of approximately 100 km/NIMS pixel. The remaining 10% is unobservable due to geometry and spacecraft constraints. The unobserved region is concentrated in the longitude range 10 to 40 degrees.

Two regional observations of the north and south poles are planned (observations SRPOLE and NRPOLE, see Table 4). The south polar region is observed in the first orbit from longitudes 120 to 240 and latitudes from -55 to -90 degrees, with spatial resolution of about 35 km/NIMS pixel. The north polar region is observed in the second orbit, covering the longitude range 150 to 240 degrees, and the latitude range 60 to 90 degrees, the spatial resolution being about 9 km/NIMS pixel.

Observations of dark terrains include the Galileo Regio area around Memphis Facula (MEMPIS) which is acquired with a spatial resolution of about 42 km/NIMS pixel. Two observations (LIDARK and DARTRL) are planned in the Marius Regio area (on the trailing side), with spatial resolutions of about 3 and 11 km/NIMS pixel respectively. Observation DARTRL will return 408 wavelengths to search for possible narrow spectral features. On the leading hemisphere we have planned one observation (DARLED) which has spatial resolution of about 15 km/NIMS pixel.

Similarly, several targeted observations of bright terrains are planned to determine spectral end members and to search for variability among specific terrains on the leading and trailing hemispheres. One observation (BRILED) of the leading hemisphere is planned near the equator at 68 degrees longitude using 408 wavelengths. The second observation (BRITRL) is on the trailing hemisphere in the Sippar Sulcus area. Spatial resolution is about 20 and 9 km/NIMS pixel, respectively. A third observation (BRFRGR) is planned over the north pole and across the boundary of the polar hood, at a spatial resolution of about 2 km/NIMS pixel.

Given their areal dominance, we have planned a number of observations of grooved and furrowed terrains, which include the terrains near Memphis Facula (MEMPIS) with a spatial resolution o fabout 42 km/NIMS pixel, the terrains surrounding the craters Osiris (OSIRIS) and AmOn (AMON) at resolutions of about 40 and 20 km/NIMS pixel respectively, and the large sulci Nippur Sulcus

(NIPPUR, TRANSI), Sippar Sulcus (SIPPAR), and Uruk Sulcus (URUK) at resolutions ranging from about 9 to 19 km/NIMS pixel.

Observations of a variety of crater forms are also planned (Table 4). These include bright rayed, dark rayed, dark haloed and dark floored craters, as well as a central dome crater and palimpsests. Some specific craters to be observed include Edfu Facula (EDFU), Punt Facula (PUNTFA), the Gilgamesh palimpsest (GILMES), the central domed crater Eshmun (ESHMUN), the bright rayed crater Tammuz (TAMMUZ), the dark rayed craters Mir (MIRRAY), Antum (ANTUN), Kitt (KITTU), Isis, and Ptah (ISPTAH). Spatial resolutions vary depending on crater size and viewing geometry and range from about 4 to 40 km/NIMS pixel.

A limb scan observation (LIMB) is planned to search for an atmosphere around Ganymede. This observation has a spatial resolution of approximately 5 km/NIMS pixel and a small number of wavelengths (less than 8).

5.4 Callisto

Throughout Galileo's two year tour, NIMS will observe Callisto in six of the eleven orbits including three close encounters. The observations are designed in keeping with the overall NIMS science theme for Callisto: composition, composition, and composition. The observation plan is summarized in Table 5 and Figure 9.

Global context maps at 204 wavelength spectral resolution are taken in each of the 6 orbits. The spatial resolution and surface coverage vary according to geometry and downlink resources available, but the typical resolution lies between 100 and 200 km/NIMS pixel. These observations include both leading and trailing sides and provide a base map of global surface spectra. Regional observations at 102 and 204 wavelengths are taken on four orbits, with spatial resolutions ranging from 20 to 50 km/NIMS pixel. The areas chosen are regions of particular interest such as the Asgard and Valhalla multi-ring structures, the south pole, and high northern latitudes.

"Postage-stamp" observations (high spatial resolution, small areal coverage) and spectroscopic scans of 204 and 408 wavelengths are obtained on four 4 orbits and constitute the remaining set of

Callisto observations. The spatial resolution varies from 1 to 20 km. The observations are taken at the best spatial resolution obtainable.

Postage-stamp observations and spectroscopy scans are nested within the regional observations and the regional observations are nested within the global observations, hence providing an integrated NIMS Callisto data set.

5. SUMMARY

The currently planned observations for the Near Infrared Mapping Spectrometer experiment on the Galileo spacecraft consist of global observations at high spectral resolution which provide context for a small number of high spatial, high spectral resolution observations of specific areas of interest. A limited number of these special interest observations can be returned, so the choice of targets is of great importance to the planetary science community. We expect that alternate choices of targets will be proposed by researchers outside the Galileo Project prior to the end of the planning phase for the spacecraft sequences. Selection of specific targets is difficult because the Galilean satellites have not previously been mapped in this wavelength region at spatial resolutions greater than about 4 pixels/hemisphere. It is both reasonable and exciting to contemplate that this new dataset will greatly expand our understanding of the Galilean satellites.

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FIGURE CAPTIONS

FIGURE 1: Schematic diagram of the NIMS instrument and scanning motions. The instrument is shown as it would appear sitting on the spacecraft scan platform. The cone angle motion of the scan platform is illustrated by the large arrows. The internal 20-position spatial scan, produced by motion of the telescope secondary mirror, is in the orthogonal cross-cone direction. The position of the initial pixel in a major frame (RIM) is shown as pixel 1. The plane of spectral dispersion is parallel to the plane of cone angle motion. (After Carlson et al. 1992).

FIGURE 2: Radiance values for the NIMS instrument, The sensitivities of the first 14 detector channels are set for full scale (data number = 1023) for a radiance about 20% greater than that of a normally illuminated Lambertian surface at the orbit of Jupiter. The measured saturation radiances are shown for each detector along with their intrinsic noise levels and estimates of the induced noise from the magnetosphere at the orbit of Io. The radiance for a solar illuminated Lambertian surface is denoted by the solid curve ($\mu_0 p = 1$) and, just below it, the dashed curve approximates the Io reflectance spectrum. Blackbody radiances are also indicated for various temperatures.

FIGURE 3: Two examples of NIMS spectra obtained during Galileo flybys. (3a): Nightside spectra of Venus (Carl son et al. 1991), illustrating the spectral resolution. (3 b): NIMS and ground-based spectra of 243 Ida. The ground-based observations, offset by 0.02, are by Tholen (pers. comm. 1993) and Binzel et al. (1993). Considering the differences in calibration methods (laboratory vs. standard stars) the agreement is excellent.

FIGURE 4: Satellite Tour 92,-14A Petal Plot: orbits during Galileo's tour of Jupiter viewed from above the ecliptic plane. The individual orbits are numbered. The orbits have a mean spacing of 40 days. The time from Jupiter orbit insertion to first encounter is approximately 6 months. Details of

the individual orbits are given in Table

FIGURE 5: Reflectance of some minerals and frosts at the NIMS spectral resolution. The minerals (3a) are combined from the libraries of Clark et al. [1993] and Salisbury et al. [1991], with offsets of 0.35 (Gypsum) and 0.6 (Dolomite). The frosts (3b) are from Fink and Sill [1982], with offsets of 0.5 (H₂S), 1.2 (NH₄HS), and 1.75 (NH₃).

FIGURE 6: Coverage map of planned NIMS observations of **Io**. The observations plotted on the map are **the** high spatial resolution observations planned during Jupiter orbit insertion. The numbers on the map correspond to the observations described in Table 2a. The lower graph shows the global coverage of **Io** planned for the rest of the tour. Spatial resolution is shown in parentheses (in **km/NIMS** pixel). The color code represents the number of wavelengths returned (Blue = 408, Green = 204, Orange = 102, Red = 51, Brown = < 51). The dashed lines represent dayside coverage, the solid lines are nightside coverage. The eorresponding orbit designations are shown on the left.

FIGURE 7: Coverage map of planned NIMS observations of Europa. Higher spatial resolution observations are plotted on the map; global coverage is plotted on the bar graph underneath. The numbers on the map and below the graph bars correspond to the observations described in Table 3. NIMS spatial resolution is shown in parentheses for the global observations (in **km/NIMS** pixel). The color code represents the number of wavelengths returned (Blue = 408, Green = 204, Orange = 102, Red = 51, Brown = < 51).

FIGURE 8: Coverage map of planned NIMS observations of Ganymede. Higher spatial resolution observations are plotted on the map; global coverage is plotted on the bar graph underneath. The numbers on the map and below the graph bars em-respond to the observations described in Table 4. NIMS spatial resolution is shown in parentheses for the global observations (in km/NIMS pixel). The

TABLE 1: Summary of Galileo's satellite tour. The encounters designated with N are non-targeted but reasonably close encounters which provide opportunity to obtain additional longitude coverage or phase angle information for the designated satellites. The observing time available at altitudes less than **5,000** km is very limited.

TABLE 2a: Io observations during Jupiter orbit insertion. These are the highest spatial resolution observations of **Io** during the mission. Numbers in the first column **correspond** to numbers on the map in Figure 5.

TABLE **2b: Io** observations during the satellite tour. The coverage and spatial resolution of observations **NSPEC**, HRSPEC, CHEMIS, and THRMA1. are shown in Figure 5.

TABLE 3: NIMS Europa observations: the numbers in the second column correspond to the numbers in Figure 6.

TABLE 4: NIMS Ganymede observations: the numbers in the second column correspond to the numbers in Figure 7.

TABLE 5: NIMS **Callisto** observations: the numbers in **the** second column correspond to the numbers in Figure 8.

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Table / Satellite Tour 92-14A Summary

Encounter	Satellite	Date	Inbound / Outbound	Attude	Lattude	Objective
G1	Ganymede	4-M-96	In	500	24	Wake, Alfven Wing, UVS, gravity, reduce period
G2	Ganymede	6-Sep-96	In	200.	84	Alfven Wing, gravity, reduce inclination
C3	Callisto	4-Nov-96	la	1,096	15	Wake, Alfven Wing. UVS counter-rotate, Jupiter Oco.
E3N	Europa	6-Nov-96	out	31,800	0	Coverage (232" W. DIIg., Phase = 34")
E4	Europa	19-Dec-96	out	895	1	Wake, Europa Occ., Jupiter Oco.
E5N	Europe	20-Jan-97	out	27,800	0	Occurs during solar conjunction interval
E6	Europa	20-Feb-97	In	589	4	Europa Occ., Jupiter Occ., 10 Occ.
E7N	Europe	4-Apr-97	ln	25.000.	-1	Coverage (133" W. Long., Phase = 52°), distant wake
G7	Ganymede	5-Apr-97	out	3,105	68	Alfven Wing
CBN	Callisto	6-May-97	In	33,200	-40	Coverage (72° W. Long., Phase = 43°)
G8	Ganymede	7 * 9 7	In	1,602	28	Ganymode Occ., Jupiter Occ., distant UVS
C9	Callisto	25-Jun-97	In	420	1	Callisto 000., Jupiter Occ., tail petal
09N	Genymede	26-Jun-97	in	80,200	1	Coverage (98" W. Long., Phase = 20°), distant wake
Clo	Callisto	17-Sep-97	ln	528	6	Wake, Alfven Wing, Jupiter Occ., Rotate, UVS reduce period
'En	Europa	6-Nov-97	In	1,127	88	Alfven Wing

TABLE 22 NIMS IO OBSERVAT PNS DURING JUPITER ORBIT NSERTION

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NUMBER	NAME	#XS	DESCRIPTION	TESOLUTION	ANGLE (dea)	ANGLE (dea) ANGLE (dea)	EMISSION ANGLE (deg)
_	HKSPEC	408 AND 204	GLOBAL MAP OF 10'S DAYSIDE AT HIGH SPECTRAL RESOLUTION	09~	14°	11° to 103°	8° to 90°
			(50% AT 408 \(\chi\), 50% AT 204 \(\chi\)S)				
2	GLOBAL	17	GLOBAL MAP OF 10'S DAYSIDE AT HIGH COATIAL DESQLITHON	C7~	15.	10" to 100"	6° to 90°
8	HRCHEM	05	HIGH SPATIAL RESOLUTION MAP OF PROMETHEUS AND MALII REGIONS	~15	10.	8° to 59°	21° to 74°
	Σ Σ	0	OBSERVATION OF MOUNTAIN/MESA	Ş	×	.79	63°
	I EBSCHN		LIMB MANN IIIIPIPI I NIN	9~	.9	62° to 79°	73, 10, 93,
9	PROMVT	204	VERY HIGH SPATIAL RESOLUTION	~2	.9	24°	28°
7	NOTOA	204	VERY HIGH SPATIAL RESOLUTION OBSERVATION OF VOLUND VENT	~3	సీ	25°	
&	согснѕ	204	VERY HIGH S. TIAL RECOLL ON OBSERVATION OF COLCHIS AREA	7~		13*	33.
თ	HOTSPT	21		4	148°	134°	23°
>	- OKir	,	LIMB SCAN UF LUN PLUME ANU THEBMAI MAD OF I OVI FIVER	8~	156°	113° to 139°	66° to 92°

TABLE 26

IO OBSERVATIONS DURING SATELLITE TOUR

NAME	DESCRIPTION	WAVELENGTHS	RESOLUTION RANGE (km)	ORBITS
NSPEC	High spectral, nightside, global	408	370	G1
HRSPEC	High spectral, dayside, global	408	120-300	G2,C3,E4 E4, E6 C9,C10
CHEMIS	dayside, global	102	140-730	a 1 1
THRMAL	nightside, global	10?	"120-900	all
VOLCAN	monitoring of specifiant spots	ic 12	140-930	all

TABLE 3

EUROPA

				Spatial	Phase	Cone	Incident	Emission	
ORBIT	Number	Observation	Description	Resolution(km)	Angle (deg)	Angle (deg)	Angle (deg)	Angle (deg)	Wavelength
JA	I	SOPOLE	south pole long 240'-60'	17	85	95	64-92	8-56	204
G1	2	NHILAT	Northern Lat at long 180'-310'	92	28	151	36-114	26-90	102
C3	3	PHINEA	Phineus Linea	65	43	1 " ⁴⁰	44-91	33-84	102
	4	LINEA	Lines termin	16 ⁻	34	1 37	49-! 14	36-90	102
	5	ELIMB	Limb observation	27	86	83	13-92	6-90	102
E4	6	SUCOMP1	surface composition, long 310'- 320', light terrain	1.2	87	97	48	52	408
	7	SUCOMP2	Surface composition long 300° -310°, dark terrain	4.3	66	118	48	53	408
	8	ASTERI	Asteri region	57	55	128	75	90	102
E6	9	TINCI	Trailing sick (long 160° - 240°)	55	35	140	21-89	19-90	102
G7	10	FLEXUS	Flexus region	79	26	145	21-84	22-90	102
	11	TYREMA	Tyre Maeula	12.5	52	134	36-66	29-56	408
Ell	12	TINC2	Leading side (long. 230° - 240")	50	67	123	72-92	17-70	102
	13	ADONIS	Adonis linea	40	111	57	44-%	25-70	102
	14	NO POLE	North Pok (long 250° - 200°)	0.56	₄ 67	109	59-106	0-40	204/102

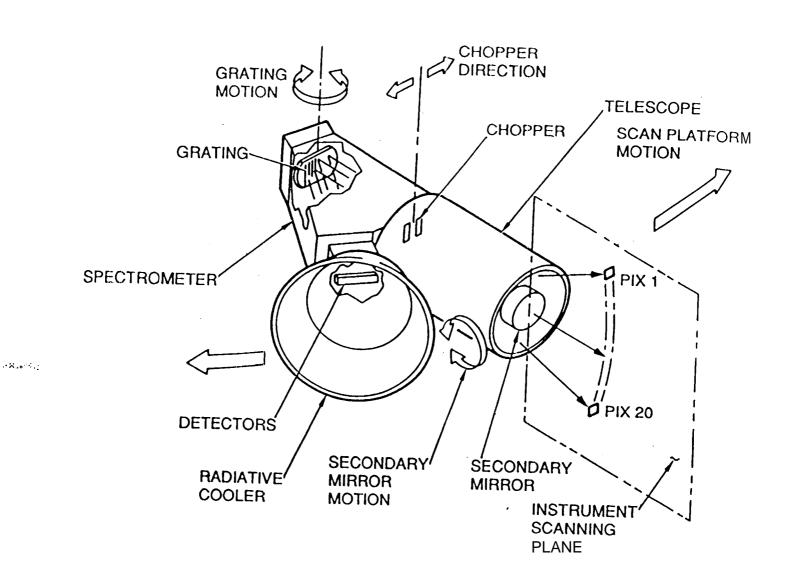
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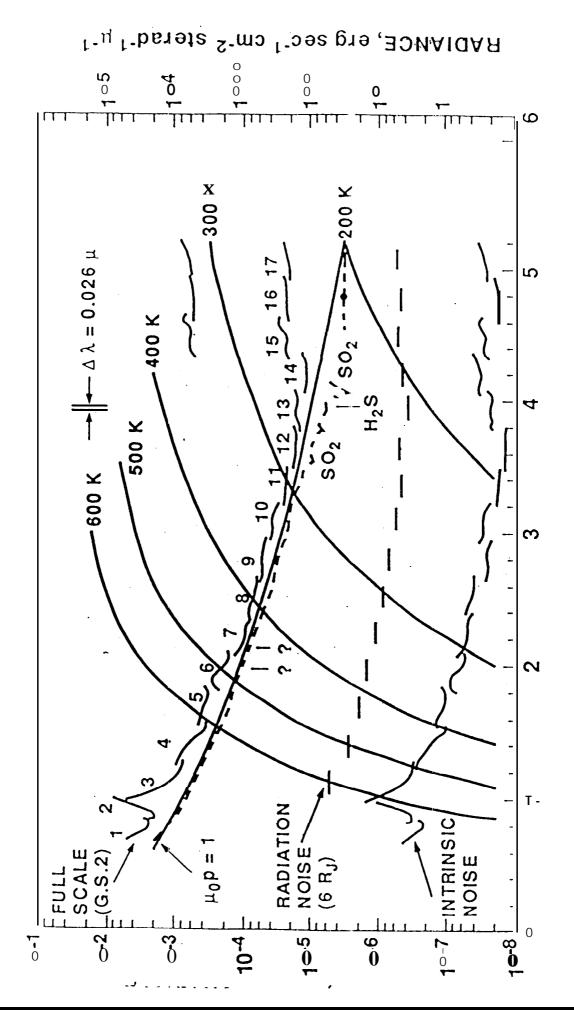
Observations	Observation	Spatial	Phase	Incident ${ m E}$	mission	Number	
	Descriptions	Resolution (km)	Angle (deg)	Angle (deg)	Angle (deg)	of Wavelengths	
1 GLOBAL	Global map (longitude 190 to 240)	114	30	80	70	204	
2 MEMPIS	Memphis Facula (palimpsest and furrows)	42	30	30	55	204	
3 SRPOLE	South Pole region	36	29	84	76	204	
4 GILMES	Gilgamesh(palimpsest with ring basin)	25	29	72	80	204	
5 AMON	Amon, bright rayed crater in groove terrain	20	26	63	54	204	
6 ISPTAH	Isis & Ptah, rayed craters on North Pole	17	25	72	66	204	
7 NIPPUR	Nippur Sulcus (furrows, dark and groove terrain)	12	26	32	40	204	
8 SIPPAR	Sippar Sulcus (dark and smooth groove terrain)	9	24	18	14	204	
9 PUNTFA	Punt Facula (palimpsest with ring basin)	8	13	76	65	204	
10 MIRRAY	Mir, a dark rayed crater	6	8	64	55	204	
11 TAMMUZ	Tammuz, bright rayed crates	13	26	73	48	204	
12 NRPOLE	North Pole region	9	30	79	81	204	
13 ANTUM	Antum, dark rayed crater	4	24	59	37	204	
14 BRFRGR	Bright frost terrain on North Pole region	2	23	83	79	204	
15 GLOBAL	Global map (longitude 260 to 12)	107	62	5s	48	204	
16 BRITRL	Bright ten-sin in trailing hemisphere	9	80	25	85	204	
17 KITTU	Kittu, dark rayed crater	5	91	40	57	204	
18 GLOBAL	Global map (longitude 230 to 270)	111	120	60	65	204	
19 ESHMUN	Eshmun (central dome crater) and bright terrain	24	64	67	20	204	
20 URUK	Uruk sulcus (craters, furrows and groove terrain) "	19	68	27	54	204	
21 TRANSI	Transition dark Marius Regio to bright Nippur Sulcus	15	66	80	47	204	
22 LIDARK	Light dark material in Marius Regio	11	70	66	6	204	
23 EDFU	Edfu Facula (dark floor crater and palimpsest)	7	82	39	59	204	
24 LIMB	Limb scan for atmosphere (Not shown at map)	5	94	13	82	8	
25 DARTRL	Very dark terrain (Marius Region) m trailing hemisphere	3	98	84	35	408	
26 DARLED	Dark terrain m leading hemisphere	15	127	39	92	204	
27 BRILED	Bright terrain m leading hemisphere	20	126	35	91	408	
28 GLOBAL	Global map (longitude 60 to 200)	85	42	65	50	204	
29 OSIRIS	Osiris, a central dome crater	41	19	89	70	204	
30 GLOBAL	Global map (longitude 37 to 65)	82	81	81	37	204	

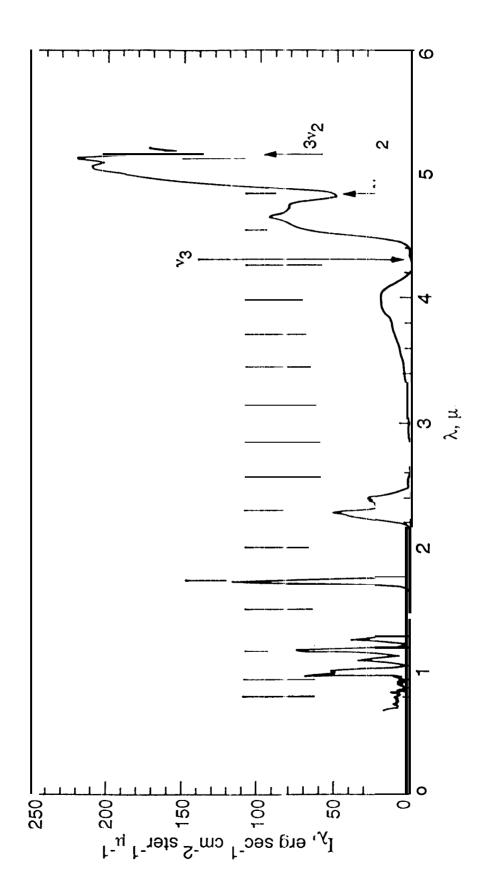
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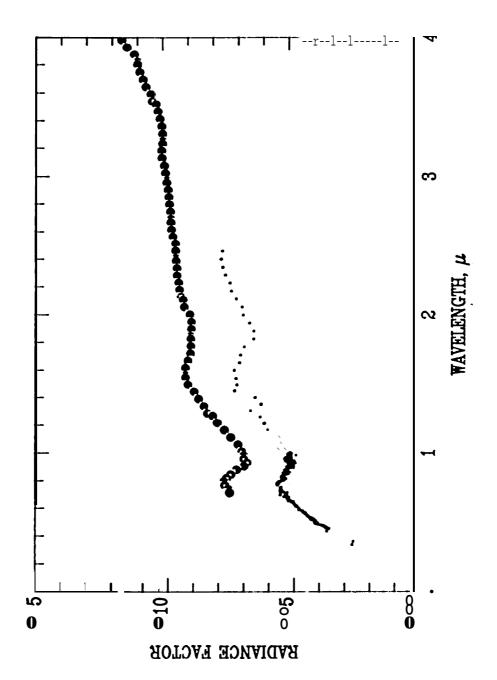
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G1	1 GLOBAL	Global context map (longitude 305 to 35)	955	75	13	90	204
G2	2 GLOBAL	Global context map (longitude 255 to 355)	211	62	35	90	204
C3	3 GLOBAL	Global COntext map (longitude 85 to 205)	120	51	116	90	204
	4 ASGARD 5 RINGS 6 CRATER	Asgard ring structure Asgard ring traverse Burr-a central pit crater	10	50 45 27	43 50 42	17 26 46	102 204 204
G8	7 GLOBAL	Global context map (longitude 60 to 175)	110	61	101	77	204
	8 SPOLE 9 BURI 10 ADLINDA 11 GLOBAL	South polar region Buri-bright rim crater Adlinda region Global context map (longitude O to 90)	20 16 16 100	43 42 51 85	92 56 72 93	49 25 20 57	102 204 102 204
C9	.12 SKULD	Crater within Valhalla	0.8	130	47	69	204
	13 ANARR 14 NOLAT 15 PLAINS 16 LIMB 17 VALHAL	ring structure Anam-bright rim crater North latitude region Smooth plains Limb soan Valhalla multi-ring structure region		118 93 TBD TBD 92	80 91 TBD TBD 62	65 70 TBD TBD 41	204 102 TBD TBD 204
Clo	18 PALIMP 19 VRINGS 20 CATENA 21 LIMB 22 EPLAINS 23 GLOBAL	Valhalla palimpsest scan Valhalla ring transact Crater chain in Valhalla Limb scan Smooth plains region Global context map	6	14 76 81 TBD TBD 87	19 44 71 TBD TBD 94	57 47 68 TBD TBD 62	408 204 204 TBD TBD 204

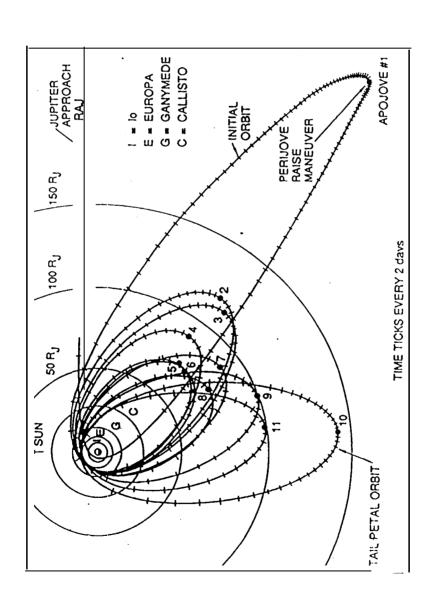




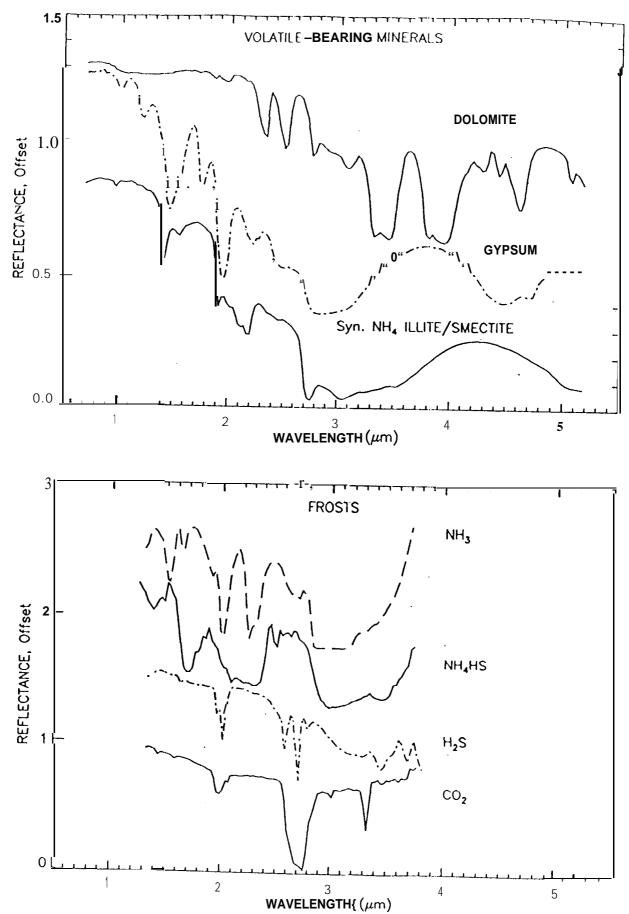


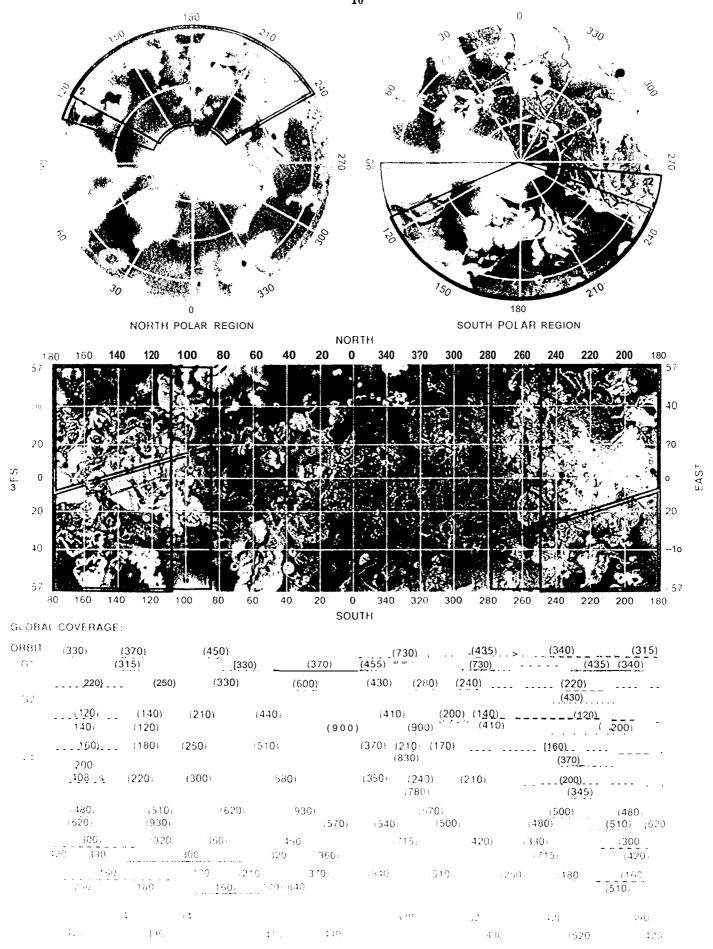


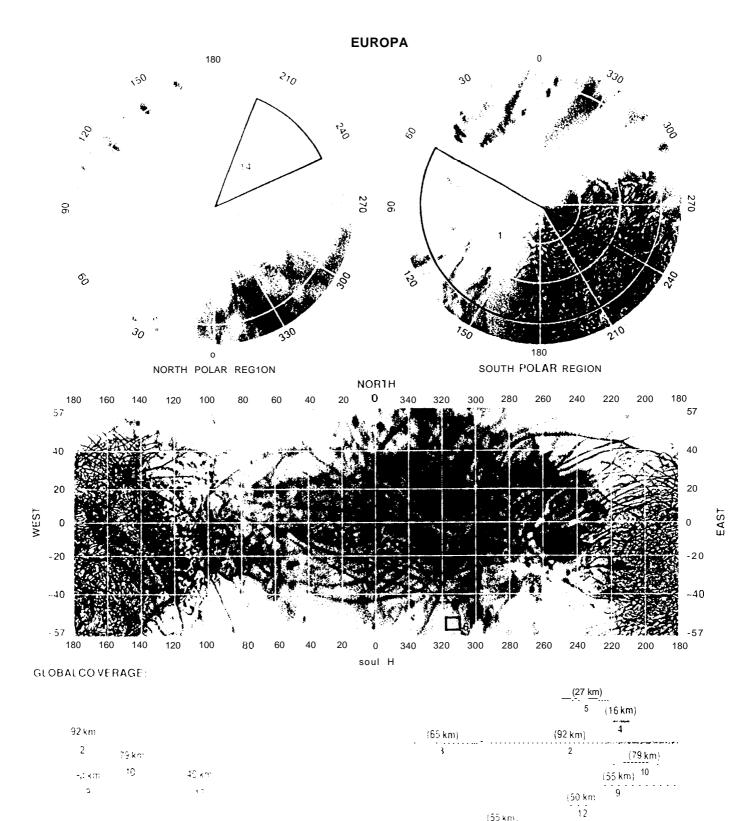
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